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TAGS: UNGA, SW

SUBJECT: 7TH SPECIAL SESSION OF UNGA

1. SWEDISH EMBASSY COUNSELOR LIDGARD CALLED ON DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY BLAKE (IO) MARCH 14 TO DISCUSS PREPARATIONS FOR 7TH SPECIAL SESSION OF UNGA. LIDGARD SAID THAT SWEDISH PREPARATIONS ARE ALREADY UNDERWAY IN STOCKHOLM UNDER THE DIRECTION OF A SPECIAL PREPARATORY COMMITTEE CHAIRED BY A MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO. COMMITTEE HAS HAD ITS FIRST MEETING AND WILL CONVENE REGULARLY UNTIL OPENING OF THE SESSION. HE ASKED ABOUT U.S. ATTITUDES AND PREPARATIONS FOR THE 7TH SPECIAL SESSION.

2. BLAKE EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO CONSULTATION PRIOR TO SESSION AND NEED FOR COMMON POLICY LINES AMONG  
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WESTERN COUNTRIES, PERHAPS INITIATED THROUGH OECD OR AD

HOC MEETINGS IN NEW YORK, BUT AT SAME TIME NECESSITY  
AVOID IMPRESSION OF "GANGING UP" ON LDCS. HE EXPLAINED  
THAT DEPARTMENT IS ALREADY WORKING ON U.S. PREPARATIONS  
FOR 7TH SPECIAL SESSION. HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT EMERGING  
U.S. POSITION WILL INDICATE TO LDCS THAT WE APPRECIATE  
THEIR PROBLEMS, INCLUDING FUNDAMENTAL QUESTION OF WHETHER  
CLASSIC MEANS OF DEVELOPMENT CAN GO MUCH FURTHER. WE ARE  
ANXIOUS TO CARRY ON A REAL DIALOGUE, BUT NOT TO BE

CONFRONTED BY A FAIT ACCOMPLI IMPOSED BY THE GROUP OF 77,  
WHICH WOULD ONLY RESULT IN A STERILE MEETING.

3. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION FROM LIDGARD ON POSSIBLE  
OUTCOME OF 7TH SPECIAL SESSION, BLAKE MENTIONED  
DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES HAD BEEN DISCUSSED AS ONE SUCH  
POSSIBILITY, BUT SAID THAT IT WAS FAR TOO EARLY YET TO  
MAKE ANY DEFINITE STATEMENT IN THIS AREA AND WE WOULD  
PREFER SOMETHING MORE PRACTICAL. WITH RESPECT TO OTHER  
QUESTIONS POSED BY LIDGARD, INCLUDING U.S. RESPONSE TO  
VARIOUS LDC PROPOSALS TO REORGANIZE THE DEVELOPMENT SIDE  
OF THE UN, BLAKE TOOK SIMILAR LINE, SAYING THAT ANSWERS  
TO THESE QUESTIONS NOT YET POSSIBLE. AT CONCLUSION OF  
MEETING BLAKE REEMPHASIZED VALUE OF CONSULTATION AND U.S.  
DESIRE ENCOURAGE CONTINUING CONSULTATION WITH SWEDEN AND  
OTHER INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES PRIOR TO 7TH SPECIAL SESSION.  
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